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Cattle on Feed

Iowa: There were 1,360,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on January 1, 2010, up 4 percent from December 1, 2009 and up 5 percent from January 1, 2009. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 570,000 head on feed, up 2 percent from last month and up 14 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 790,000 head on feed, up 6 percent from last month, but down 1 percent from last year.

Placements during December totaled 210,000 head, down 21 percent from last month, but up 27 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 85,000 head, down 21 percent from last month, but up 29 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 125,000 head. This is up 39 percent from last month and up 25 percent from last year.

Marketings for December were 150,000 head, down 21 percent from last month, but up 6 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 73,000 head, down 14 percent from last month, but up 14 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 77,000 head, down 27 percent from last month,

but unchanged from last year. Other disappearance totaled 4,000 head.

United States: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.0 million head on January 1, 2010. The inventory was 2 percent below January 1, 2009. The inventory included 6.88 million steers and steer calves, down 3 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 62 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.07 million head, down 1 percent from 2009.

Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.55 million, 6 percent below 2008. Net placements were 1.47 million head. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 430,000, 600-699 pounds were 420,000, 700-799 pounds were 401,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 295,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.74 million, 4 percent above 2008.

Other disappearance totaled 72,000 during December, 5 percent below 2008.

All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Cattle on Feed, December 1, 2009	560	744	1,304
December Placements	85	125	210
December Marketings	73	77	150
December Other Disappearance	2	2	4
Cattle on Feed, January 1, 2010	570	790	1,360

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month,
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots ¹**

State	Cattle on Feed January 1			Placements during December			Marketings during December			December Disappearance other than Slaughter ²		
	2009	2010	'10 as % of '09	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AZ	358	288	80	29	32	110	29	25	86	1	1	100
CA	490	465	95	59	63	107	60	59	98	4	4	100
CO	1,000	1,010	101	150	110	73	155	155	100	5	5	100
ID	220	215	98	36	41	114	39	35	90	2	1	50
IA	500	570	114	66	85	129	64	73	114	2	2	100
KS	2,270	2,250	99	380	375	99	405	445	110	15	10	67
NE	2,370	2,360	100	345	320	93	340	350	103	15	20	133
NM	164	(D)	(D)	16	(D)	(D)	18	(D)	(D)	2	(D)	(D)
OK	335	365	109	49	50	102	46	58	126	3	2	67
SD	220	235	107	38	38	100	37	36	97	1	2	200
TX	2,790	2,680	96	405	350	86	405	410	101	20	20	100
WA	157	166	106	28	29	104	38	34	89	2	1	50
Oth Sts	360	405	(X)	46	53	(X)	47	62	(X)	4	4	(X)
US	11,234	11,009	98	1,647	1,546	94	1,683	1,742	104	76	72	95

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Comparison to previous year is not applicable.

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

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